113TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H.R. 2530

AN ACT

To improve transparency and efficiency with respect to audits and communications between taxpayers and the Internal Revenue Service.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- ${\it 2\ tives\ of\ the\ United\ States\ of\ America\ in\ Congress\ assembled},$

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- This Act may be cited as the "Taxpayer Trans-
- 3 parency and Efficient Audit Act".
- 4 SEC. 2. DEADLINE FOR RESPONSES TO TAXPAYER COR-
- 5 RESPONDENCE.
- 6 Not later than 30 days after receiving any written
- 7 correspondence from a taxpayer, the Internal Revenue
- 8 Service shall provide a substantive written response. For
- 9 purposes of the preceding sentence, an acknowledgment
- 10 letter shall not be treated as a substantive response.
- 11 SEC. 3. TAXPAYER NOTIFICATION OF DISCLOSURES BY IRS
- 12 **OF TAXPAYER INFORMATION.**
- 13 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after dis-
- 14 closing any taxpayer information to any agency or instru-
- 15 mentality of Federal, State, or local government, the In-
- 16 ternal Revenue Service shall provide a written notification
- 17 to the taxpayer describing—
- 18 (1) the information disclosed,
- 19 (2) to whom it was disclosed, and
- 20 (3) the date of disclosure.
- 21 (b) Exception.—Subsection (a) shall not apply if
- 22 the Secretary of the Treasury, or the Secretary's designee,
- 23 determines that such notification would be detrimental to
- 24 an ongoing criminal investigation or pose a risk to na-
- 25 tional security.

1 SEC. 4. DEADLINE FOR CONCLUSION OF AUDITS OF INDI-

- 2 VIDUAL TAXPAYERS.
- 3 If any audit of a tax return of an individual by the
- 4 Internal Revenue Service is not concluded before the end
- 5 of the 1-year period beginning on the date of the initiation
- 6 of such audit, the Internal Revenue Service shall provide
- 7 the taxpayer a written letter explaining why such audit
- 8 has taken more than 1 year to complete.
- 9 SEC. 5. NO ADDITIONAL FUNDS AUTHORIZED.
- No additional funds are authorized to carry out the
- 11 requirements of this Act. Such requirements shall be car-
- 12 ried out using amounts otherwise authorized or appro-
- 13 priated.

Passed the House of Representatives February 25, 2014.

Attest:

Clerk.

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